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In re Application of :
Hammons et al. :
Application No. 10/066,251 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: January 31, 2002 :
Attorney Docket No. 112-0020US :
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This is a decision on the petition, filed June 7, 2007, which is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181, requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application was held abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Office action of January 12, 2006, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. Accordingly, a reply was due on or before April 12, 2006.

Petitioner states that a timely reply was submitted on April 10, 2006. In support of petitioner's contention, petitioner has provided a copy of the reply in the form of an amendment and a copy of the Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt.

A review of the record shows that a reply to the January 12, 2006 Office action in the form of an amendment and IDS were received in the Office on April 10, 2006.

In light of receipt of the timely reply, the holding of abandonment for failure to timely file a reply to the Office action of January 10, 2006 is hereby withdrawn and the application restored to pending status.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2134 for appropriate action in the normal course of business on the reply received on April 10, 2006.

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